

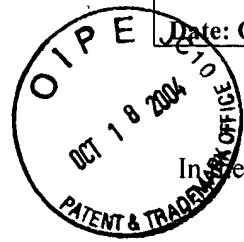
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the Application of: Edward L. Carver, Jr. )  
Steven J. Skiptunas ) Group Art Unit: 1743  
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on: APPARATUS AND METHOD ) Examiner: L. Alexander  
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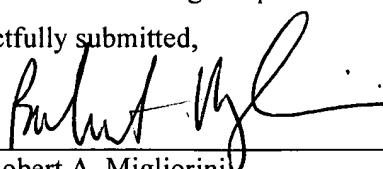
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1. Petition for Extension of Time – 3 months;
2. Appeal Brief; and
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